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A BRIEF BIOGRAPHY OF OUR CANDIDATES

Who They Are, What They Do And Where They Live.

We take it a brief mention of the personnel of the ticket endorsed by the Republican convention at Lexington; who they are, where they live and what they do will interest our readers.

Ed Morrow is of course too well-known to need mention. As a lawyer, publicist, orator and natural leader of men he is known in the remotest parts of the state.

Thurston Ballard, endorsed for Lieutenant Governor, is connected with Ballard & Ballard, bill post, of Louisville. Mr. Ballard is one of the most public spirited citizens of the state's metropolis, and is a leader in almost every public movement for the betterment of his city and state. He consented to go on the ticket only after the most earnest solicitation of the best citizens of Louisville and Kentucky.

John J. Craig, of Covington, endorsed for the nomination for Auditor, is another candidate who was drafted for service because of his high character and popular standing with the people of his city and state. Mr. Craig is at present mayor of Covington, and is serving his second term in a city strongly Democratic. Mr. Craig is a contractor and has to do with labor in a large way, and it is his popularity with the laboring people that has made him twice mayor of a Democratic city.

James A. Wallace, of Irvine, is a successful banker and farmer, and is extensively interested in the recent oil development in his section of the state. Mr. Wallace began life as a laborer, and his remarkable success as a business man evidences his fitness for the office of State Treasurer.

Judge Fred A. Vaughn, of Paintsville, is the nominee for Secretary of State. Judge Johnson is now serving his second term as county judge of Johnson county. He is a former member of the Kentucky legislature, and is a popular Republican leader in his section of the state.

Charles I. Dawson, of Pineville, was endorsed for Attorney General. Mr. Dawson is serving his second term as County Attorney of Bell county. Twenty years ago Mr. Dawson represented Logan county in the legislature, as a Democrat, but soon afterward reformed his politics and removed to Bell county, where he became a successful lawyer and business man.

George M. Colvin, of Springfield, our Fourth district man, is at present Principal of the Springfield High school, and is a well-known and successful educator. He was sometime ago recommended by high educational authorities for Superintendent of the Louisville City schools.

Roy B. Speck, of Bowling Green, endorsed for Clerk of the Court of Appeals, is the youngest man on the ticket. He is only twenty-four years old. Mr. Speck recently returned from service in France, and was with Pershing on the trip to the Mexican border. Entering the service as a private, Mr. Speck was later commissioned a Lieutenant. He is a son of Will R. Speck, former postmaster at Bowling Green and present Master Commissioner of Barren county.

Mr. W. C. Hanna, of Shelby county, is well-known to the people of the state, having been the Republican nominee four years ago for the office of Commissioner of Agriculture, for which office he was endorsed by the recent convention. Mr. Hanna is a sure-enough honest-to-goodness farmer, and one of the most practical and successful in the Blue Grass country.

A CHILD LED THEM.

The reconciliation here last week, of a couple who had come into the circuit court with a divorce proceeding reminds us of a story Judge John Feland, of Hopkinsville, told us some time ago. Judge Feland was called to Paducah to preside as special judge in the McCracken circuit court, and among the cases coming before him for trial was a divorce proceeding between one of the best known business men in the city and his wife both parties to the suit agreed to the granting of a decree of divorce and the only question at issue was the custody of the five years old

daughter of the couple. After the attorneys had introduced a wealth of testimony as to the respective fitness of the separate parents to have and care for the child they announced the close of their testimony. Observing the little girl sitting in her mother's lap Judge Feland remarked that he wanted to hear an additional witness, and asked the little girl to come up to the bench. Taking the child on his lap, he tried to make clear to her mind the issue involved, and asked her which of the parents she wanted to live with. With tears stealing down her face she replied "I want to live with both of them." Then Judge Feland in a low voice coached the child to go to her mother, take her by the hand, lead her to the father, and look up into their faces and tell them that she wanted to live with both of them. "The result," said the Judge, "was the finest drama I ever saw enacted in a court room. Father and mother fell into each other's arms, and as they marched down the aisle, each holding one of the baby girl's hands, more eyes than theirs were wet with tears."

THE CITY COUNCIL COMES OVER TOP

Hartford's city council met Thursday night to discuss the matter of contributing the city's quota of the expense of building the Owensboro-Bowling Green federal post road. If the highway runs with the present Hartford and Beaver Dam Pike the city will be required to contribute to the building of one mile of the road. After considering the matter the council by unanimous vote decided to pay forty per cent of the expense of the road through the city limits, in a maximum amount of \$3,000.

ALL IS LOST SAYS LEADING DEMOCRAT

A prominent Louisville Democrat, writing in the Louisville Times, says all is lost unless a new Moses can be found to lead the party out of the wilderness. The Times adds accent to the correspondent's voice by giving him front page space, and by the following comment: "The Times today was handed the following communication by a prominent Louisville Democratic leader who requested that his name be not signed." And the paper adds "Because of his standing in the party locally and because of the interesting and important tendency revealed in the letter the Times presents it prominently in to-day's issue." The correspondent's letter reads:

"A crisis has been reached in the affairs of the Democratic party and it must be obvious to every man unless prompt action is taken, this party might as well not nominate candidates for state offices in Kentucky this year. The Republican party in Kentucky is aggressive and confident. It knows what it wants, even if that programme is not one to commend itself to those most interested in the state. * * * I desire to propose a candidate for governor of Kentucky who does not want the office, but whom the people would like to have in the office. That gentleman is Mr. James B. Brown, president of the National Bank of Kentucky, a man who has made his way to fortune and success by his own efforts, and if nominated would poll 25,000 more votes, in my judgement, than any other man could secure who might be named by the Democratic party." Continuing the writer says, "But the time has come for heroic remedies to save a well-nigh desperate situation." Then follows the writer's proposal that all the Democratic candidates for governor withdraw from the race and give Mr. Brown the right of way. However, Mr. Brown wrecked the hope of his partial friend, for the salvation of his party by declaring he would not accept the nomination if offered him on a golden platter.

RECENT LAND SALES.

S. T. Mason to Claude Austin two lots, in Beaver Dam, \$1000.
M. P. Daugherty to C. B. Liles 50 acres, \$1000.
Fannie Schwander to Harrison Peach two lots, in Hamilton, \$700.
L. C. Morton to J. F. Ross lot, in Centerville, \$200.
John Whobrey to Estlin Smith 12 acres, near Sunnydale, \$600.
E. M. and Wiley B. Ashby to U. C. Ashby 74 acres, on Waltons creek, \$2700.
F. E. Midkiff to E. R. Wells 36 acres, near Fordsville, \$1000.

35 PUPILS GRADUATE IN COMMON SCHOOLS

Examinations for common school graduates were held at Hartford, Beaver Dam, and Fordsville, May 9 and 10. The examiners have just completed grading the examination papers and will award diplomas to 35 successful pupils. Ten of the graduates were examined at Fordsville, twenty at Beaver Dam and five at Hartford. The graduating class is considered a large one in view of the interference with the schools of the influenza epidemic. Those successful in making the required grade with per centage of general average are:

George M. White	83.8
Willie R. Mason	89.8
Carrie Barnard	90.9
Nellie Reader	80.3
Otis Ashby	84.8
Bertha Swearer	81.6
Myrtle Kelley	82.
Randolph Frymire	83.
Beulah Jeffries	79.4
Joe Marlow	77.
Ellis F. Hartford	81.5
Christina Ford	83.5
Alta Brown	80.5
Camilla Hendry	82.5
Hilda Duncan	85.
Eldred Young	81.
Thelma Newton	87.9
Anna Harrison	82.5
Hillard Willis	85.4
Ooby Barnes	82.9
Anna Lee Maddox	90.8
Luella Elener	88.1
Connie E. Davis	83.1
Claron Caldwell	76.3
Vale Rogers	78.
Lagrada Allen	82.2
Geneva Neighbors	85.5
Cora Drake	75.
Mamie Austin	81.7
Ruby Taylor	89.7
Mary E. Dietel	78.9
Ruby Baldwin	79.
Margaret Davis	88.6
J. L. Blankenship	79.3
Otha Wilson	77.

PEACE PARLEY DRAGS TIME NOW EXTENDED

The peace conference at Versailles, drags heavily along. Yesterday was fixed as the final date when the signatures of the German envoys must be appended to the treaty, but upon the flat refusal of the Germans to sign the time was extended another week. The German conferees insist that terms submitted destroys the commercial existence of the German nation, reduces the people to slavery and that nothing worse can happen to them. The Allies have ample war machinery to enforce the proposed terms, but hesitate to undertake the expensive and troublesome process of taking over and policing the whole of Germany. There seems good reason to believe the German delegates will not sign the treaty unless its terms are in some measure modified. In the meantime the peoples of the nations at interest are impatient for a final settlement of the war, and the soldiers in the field are growing restless. With such pressing necessity for an early termination perhaps the next ten days will see some definite action taken and the tension relieved.

NOTICE.

In order to clear up any misunderstanding that may exist in the minds of the people, I call attention to the following section of the law which is copied word for word from the book. It is section 4342 a-1 of Vol. 3 of Kentucky Statute and is a section of the law enacted in March 1915 by the legislature of Kentucky. It reads as follows:

4342 A-1. OWNER OF LAND ABUTTING ON HIGHWAY TO CUT AND REMOVE BRUSH, OVERHANGING BRANCHES, HEDGES TO BE TRIMMED ETC. That it shall be the duty of every owner, controller and manager of lands bordering and abutting on the public highways of this Commonwealth for the distance which their said land so abuts, and borders, when so ordered by the fiscal court of his county, to cut, clear away, remove and carry from alongside the public highways, all bushes, weeds, shrubs and overhanging limbs of trees and all other such obstructions along such highways, and to keep all hedge fences along such highway so trimmed and cut back that same at no time will become more than five feet high. (March 1, 1915, c 159, p. 679, sec. 1.)

This has been complied with by nearly everybody. I trust the others will take due notice and promptly comply.

A. D. KIRK,
County Attorney.

CARTER DITCH CASE HEARD FOURTH TIME

The longest drawn out and most expensive lawsuit Ohio county has had for a number of years was perhaps finally determined in Circuit Court here last week. It was known as the Finley Carter ditch case, and had to do with drainage of South Panther creek valley. A drainage ditch originating in Hancock county and extending into Ohio, with a length of some ten miles, was completed about six years ago. About the same time Finley Carter and other land owners filed a petition in the Ohio county court for to establish a ditch two miles in length, on the north side and to intersect with the original ditch. Sam Neal and other land owners affected filed exceptions and the case went to trial in the county court in which it was twice heard, the defendants, in each trial, winning their suit. The plaintiffs appealed to the circuit court and again the defendants won the suit. Plaintiffs appealed to the superior court, which reversed the decision of the lower court and remanded it back for trial, which fourth trial was had last week with a verdict for the plaintiffs. However, in the meantime the plaintiffs had amended their petition for an extension of the ditch another mile, making a total of three miles to be established. The case was on trial three days and more than fifty witnesses were heard. Among the plaintiffs were such well known farmers as J. A. Bellamy, W. H. Howard, A. P. and Pete Kelly, Finley Carter, J. H. and J. L. Ralph and others, and on the side of the defendants were men equally well known, Sam Neal, H. W. Ralph, John Midkiff, J. B. Wade, L. A. Ralph and others. The cost of the four trials, including attorney fees, will probably exceed \$3,000. Heavrin & Martin and Ernest Woodward were attorneys for the plaintiffs and Barnes & Smith and J. S. Glenn represented the defendants.

RUNNING ON "HIGH."

Ellis Hoover, a young man of the Clear Run community, exceeded the speed limit in Hartford Sunday and was fined ten dollars and the frilling, in Judge Crowe's court Monday. Young Hoover was driving a good horse, and was driving on "high." His first mishap was to run into a machine, on College street, doing slight damage, the measure of which he had the owner to assess and he made prompt payment. At this juncture the Marshal appeared on the scene, and to escape arrest he lashed his horse into a run down the Centerville pike. The Marshal and constable Wilson impressed an automobile and gave chase. Hoover was keeping well in advance of the machine, when about a mile below town his horse left the road, wrecked the buggy against a stump and slightly injured both itself and the driver. The officers brought the young man back to town, where he gave bond for his appearance in police court, Monday. In court he plead guilty and paid a fine of \$10.00. It is said it was a case of too much booze.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

The President's message, wired from Versailles to the Congress at Washington, contains no striking features unless his recommendation of taking the government ban off of the manufacture of wine and beer may appear striking to the rabid prohibitionist.

The message opens with an expression of regret that the writer is a long way from "law," and excuses his absence on plea of his duty to guard the destiny of mankind at the peace conference. He devotes much space to discussing labor, but says after all the solution of the labor problem must rest largely with the voluntary action of both labor and capital. He suggests that labor and capital form a real partnership. Referring to the returned soldier he asks that proper provision be made for securing employment for those in need of it, and recommends that public lands be provided for those who will occupy them.

Touching the subject of taxation he suggests that taxes be laid in a manner least burdensome to the people, whatever that may mean. He asks for the repeal of the luxury tax, or that requiring the co-operation of the retailer in the matter of collection. Revenues should be raised, he says, chiefly from the income tax, the excess profits tax and the estate

tax. He says he sees no need of at present undertaking a general tariff revision. However, he asks that congress provide a retaliatory power to meet unfair discrimination at the hands of competitive nations.

Woman suffrage comes in for the President's approval. He explains he is very earnest about this particular matter. The railroads and telegraph and telephone lines will be handed back to their owners the last of the year, according to the President's statement to congress. In his own language we give the President's recommendation in the matter of removing the ban on the manufacture of wine and beer. "The demobilization of the military forces of the country has progressed to such a point that it seems to me entirely safe now to remove the ban upon the manufacture and sale of wines and beers, but I am advised that without further legislation I have not the legal authority to remove the present restrictions. I therefore recommend that the act approved November 21, 1918, be amended or repealed so far as it applies to wines and beers."

DETECTIVE TAPPAN RUNS DOWN THIEF

While Dr. Tappan, the jeweler, was absent from his place of business, a few days ago, a thief entered the place and stole a valuable wrist watch. A few hours later the doctor overheard a couple of small colored boys, standing near his show window, referring to a watch in the show case as like one Willie Baker had. The Doctor approached the pickaninnies, with pad and pencil in hand and gravely demanded that they tell him all they knew about Baker and the Watch. Protesting their own innocence of the theft, they told the Doctor where he could find Willie Baker, and described the watch they had seen in his possession. Dr. Tappan, with Marshal Casebier, hurried up to Hayti, located the house where the Baker boy was living and when he was confronted with the theft fisher the watch out from between the covers and mattress of his bed. He gave it up without protest. Baker is a negro boy, about fourteen years old, and came here, from Rockport, recently. On account of his age and surrender of the property Dr. Tappan did not ask for a warrant of arrest.

PIE SUPPER.

The Ladies Aid Society will give a pie supper Saturday night at Washington, the proceeds to go for the benefit of the M. E. Church. Everybody invited, and ladies asked to bring pies.

MRS. J. W. TRAVIS, Sec.

BOILED DOWN.

The lower House passed the woman suffrage amendment resolution by a vote of 304 to 98.

Harry Hawker, who undertook to fly across the Atlantic ocean, is unreported six days after starting.

Governor Stanley resigned from the governorship, Monday, and Lieutenant Governor James D. Black succeeded to the office.

The Galt House, in Louisville, once the most famous hotel in the south, has been sold to the Belknap Hardware Company, and will be used by it for an office building.

An American aviator, on a trans-Atlantic flight, has already reached the Azores, and is awaiting favorable weather to complete the journey. He has covered 1200 miles and has now to fly only 800 miles to reach Portugal.

Dry leaders throughout the country are aroused over president Wilson's message to congress recommending removal of the ban on the manufacture of wines and beers.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

Arthur Donley Baize 20, to Sarah Clark 17, Rosine.
Lawrence Baize 25, to Vienna E. Sorrells 16, McHenry.
Clarence O'Bryan 24, Leitchfield, to Margaret Hart 24, Leitchfield.
Roy Roeder 19, McHenry, to Beulah Dean Ross 17, McHenry.
James E. Thompson 27, Horse Branch, to Bessie Pearl Nelson 16, McHenry.

FOR SALE—One Burrough's Adding Machine, in good condition.
E. E. BIRKHEAD,
Hartford, Ky.

FEDERAL POST ROAD IS ALMOST ASSURED

More Than \$40,000 Raised
Ten Thousand More
In Sight.

The building of the federal post road from Owensboro to Bowling Green, is now a practical certainty. Davless, Warren and Butler counties have already provided for their part of the expense, and the amount already subscribed in Ohio county will pay \$100,000, or 50 per cent, the state \$20,000, or ten per cent and the county \$30,000, or forty per cent. The fiscal court appropriated \$40,000, leaving forty thousand additional to be raised by popular subscription. Already \$43,000 has been subscribed. However, some allowance must be made for possible delinquency on the subscriptions, and the federal authorities will expect a total subscription of \$50,000, which will be easily raised. Of the amounts so far subscribed Hartford, from the McMurtry farm to the foot of the Williams hill, subscribed \$11,000, the section from McMurtry farm to Maxwell \$25,000 and from the Williams hill to Green river \$17,000, making a total of \$43,000. The building of the road is now practically assured, but the routing, which must be done by the federal authorities, has not been definitely determined.

Within the last few days the people living along the Buford, Pleasant Ridge road have been active in an effort to raise subscriptions to encourage the routing of the road along the present Hartford and Owensboro highway. Should these people succeed in raising the requisite amount of money it would then be up to the federal road authorities to elect between the Hefflin-Maxwell and the Buford-Pleasant Ridge routes. It should be clearly understood that neither the Ohio county Fiscal court nor those actively engaged in raising the required private subscriptions will determine the route of the post road; that determination being solely with the federal road authorities.

There is not a reasonable doubt that the toll fifty thousand dollars will be subscribed by the close of the present week, and if the assurances of the county's financial assistance proves satisfactory to the federal road authorities, work on the proposed post road may be under way within sixty days.

Judge Cook, County Attorney Kirk and Mr. John H. Barnes, of Beaver Dam, went to Louisville yesterday where they met with the state and federal road authorities. At this meeting the Owensboro-Bowling Green post road was to be finally passed on, but at the hour of going to press we were unable to learn what action had been taken.

BROADWAY.

Mr. G. T. Tinsley, who has been on the sick list for some time is now much improved.

Miss Edna Black, of Hartford, was in our city, on business one day the first of the week.

Miss Martha Sandefur, who has been visiting relatives at this place for several weeks, has returned to her home, near Mt. Pleasant.

Miss Lillie Moore, the popular saleslady of the Broadway Coal Mining Co., has ordered her a nice victrola, but her brother, Jim, says he is going to hold on to his little "Ford" as he would much rather travel than be a musician. Jim says he thought he was buying a touring car when he bought the little Ford, but he has discovered he has a runabout, for it runs about half the time.

We have been wondering why Ed Morgan, likes to go to McHenry so well, on Sunday afternoons, but he won't tell "a tall."

Beverly McConnell, returned last Saturday, from Harrisburg, Illinois, where he went to buy him an automobile, he says now that if any of the fair sex wishes to take a little drive next Sunday to please get their bids in by Thursday noon, but only those between the ages of 16 and 28 years of age need apply, as he is afraid to take any old people or children, until he learns more about it.